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Says McClellan Will Sacrifice Police Force to Gain Political Ends.

COMMISSIONER BACKED BY CITIZENS' UNION

Refusal of Chief to Enforce Orders of Executive Brings Final Split, Resulting in Greatest Upheaval in History of Department.

NEW YORK, July 1.—The most drastic upheaval in New York City's police history occurred today, when Mayor McClellan summarily removed Commissioner Theodore A. Bingham for insubordination, after the latter's refusal to comply with certain revolutionary orders issued by the executive on yesterday.

The Mayor's order came at the conclusion of his investigation into the alleged persecution by the police of George E. Duffy, an inconspicuous and almost friendless Brooklyn lad, who it was alleged, was repeatedly arrested without just cause, and whose photograph was retained in the rogues' gallery despite the failure of the officers to obtain a conviction against him. In the opinion of the Mayor, at least two of General Bingham's lieutenants were guilty of misconduct in this affair, and accordingly he demanded their removal.

Politics Defined It.

With General Bingham's retirement today went several of his closest advisers and his leading supporters.

As the head of the new regime, the Mayor at once appointed William F. Baker, hitherto a deputy commissioner, who indicated that a considerable change in the policy of the department was to be expected.

"The law will hereafter be enforced," he declared, "with reference to the fact that New York is a cosmopolitan city with a cosmopolitan populace."

General Bingham and his friends were outspoken to-night in their declaration that the principal reasons for the Mayor's act were political, and that the commissioner's independence of the politicians had resulted in his removal only a few months before the important municipal elections of the autumn.

In a statement to-night the commissioner said: "I leave the office with very little regret. It is a faulting task, and this is what it leads to. Politics has brought about this change. I have done the best I could to give the city a clean and honest police administration, free from any tinge of any party politics. But with the approach of an election the bosses were satisfied that it would never do to have a police commissioner who gave a square deal all around."

"There are many things in the administration of New York's police system which should be changed. I was changing them as fast as possible—too fast, I guess, from the outcome."

"Above all, I have tried to keep the police department free from political control, and it is safe to say that as a result I have been the most unpopular commissioner among the politicians that New York has ever had."

Stand with Bingham.

The head of the Citizens' Union gave out a statement, in which he said: "We are with General Bingham because we know he has not handled the police force in the interest of any politics or party. In view of the vital importance of a fair election and an honest count this fall we had hoped that he would continue in office."

General Bingham, who is a graduate of West Point, came to the New York Police Department soon after he had retired from the United States Army, with the rank of brigadier-general. He had occupied the post of superintendent of public grounds and buildings at Washington, but when President McKinley, frequent difference of opinion between the two resulted in General Bingham's removal to an army post in Buffalo, where the loss of a leg in the performance of his duties resulted in his retirement. His appointment as Police Commissioner was Mayor McClellan's declaration of independence of Tammany Hall, and of opposition to political control of the police.

Bingham's last important official act was his acceptance of the resignation of his secretary, Daniel G. Slattery, and his deputy commissioners, Bert Hanson, F. Bugher and Arthur Woods. He had previously declined to oust Slattery and Hanson, whose removal the Mayor demanded, and it was principally upon this point that the split came.

What Paper Thinks.

As a commentary upon the situation, the following editorial, which appeared in the World this morning, before the removal of General Bingham, is given in full:

"Mayor McClellan's decision in the Duffy case looks like a deliberate attempt to drive General Bingham from the office of police commissioner without incurring the official responsibility for his direct removal."

"That the police were wrong in the Duffy matter admits of no doubt. That General Bingham erred gravely in sustaining his subordinates is hardly open to question. But that does not call for the action Mayor McClellan has taken in shaking up the police department. It is impossible not to believe that the Mayor's action was dictated more by politics than by any sense of outraged justice over the Duffy matter."

General Bingham, on the whole, has been an excellent police commissioner. The department is in better condition than it has been in years. It is cleaner, it is more efficient and it is more respected. But it is not so well adapted for political uses.

General Bingham's methods have not suited either the Mayor's friend McClellan in Brooklyn or the Mayor's old associates in Tammany. From the beginning of his term they would have been delighted to see General Bingham go. They will be highly gratified that the Mayor has at last consigned their wish to reality. One pretext is as good as another to them.

In the circumstance, if General Bingham stays at the head of the police department he will be a mere figurehead. Mayor McClellan has taken advantage of the Duffy case to assume personal direction of the department. He evidently purposes grading the commissioner as its official head and forcing the police back into politics.

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Boys' Knee Pants, worth 75c, now.....12c
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Boys' Khaki Pants, worth 50c, now.....19c

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Shoes worth up to \$3.00, now.....98c
Shoes worth up to \$3.50, now.....\$1.19
Shoes worth up to \$4.00, now.....\$1.89
Shoes worth up to \$5.00, now.....\$2.39

Men's and Boys' Hats

Hats worth up to \$3.00, now.....89c
Hats worth up to \$3.50, now.....\$1.39
\$3.00 Straw Hats now.....\$2.89
\$4.00 Straw Hats now.....\$2.39
\$3.50 Straw Hats now.....\$1.89
\$3.00 Straw Hats now.....\$1.39
\$2.50 Straw Hats now.....\$1.29
\$2.00 Straw Hats now.....89c
\$1.50 Straw Hats now.....79c
75c Straw Hats now.....43c
Boys' Straws, worth 75c, now.....43c
Mexican Straw Hats, now.....7c
Yacht Caps, worth 50c, now.....29c

Men's Odd Pants

Khaki Pants, worth \$1.50, now.....79c
Pants worth up to \$3.00, now.....98c
Pants worth up to \$4.00, now.....\$1.39
Pants worth up to \$5.00, now.....\$1.89
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75c Embroidered Suspenders, now.....8c
75c Elastic Seam Drawers, now.....39c
Guyot style Suspenders, now.....11c
19c Boys' Stockings, now.....8c
\$1.25 Negligee Shirts, now.....39c
89c Negligee Shirts, now.....29c
White Linen Collars, now.....6c
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News of Manchester.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, No. 1109, Hull Street.

Not in many years has the Street Committee adopted a proposition which has met with the same hearty approval as the purchasing of a street sprinkler, which was ordered last night.

For years the streets of the city have been swept, but owing to the fact that there was no street sprinkler to sweep, the streets were not so clean as they should be. The committee, consisting of Messrs. Campbell, Wicks, and City Engineer Laprade, reported that it could purchase a two-horse sprinkler for \$50. The committee's report was adopted, and it was instructed to have the sprinkler delivered to the city to-day. The capacity of the sprinkler is 600 gallons.

Fans Relieve Situation.

During this heated period and, in fact, for years, the various Council committees have been sweating when they were compelled to sit in the Council chamber and transact the city's business. The Buildings and Land Committee at its meeting on Monday night ordered that two electric fans be installed in the Council chamber.

An ordinance introduced by Mr. Brown, and referred to the Street Committee, provides that all railroad companies be made to have all trains and engines crossing the city's streets properly flagged. The ordinance further provides that should an employee of any one of the railroads fail to comply with the ordinance the company will be subject to a fine of \$25. This ordinance was recommended to the Assembly for adoption.

The committee ordered the City Engineer to commence work immediately on the grading of Fourteenth Street between McClellan and Somerset streets. All the property owners on the block agreed to allow the work to be done without holding the city for damages.

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proceeded to say that he could not agree to have the vote taken at the time specified. He did not then give his reason, and he was immediately beset by a dozen or more Senators in the hope of prevailing upon him to desist from his opposition. It turned out that though he was opposed to the corporation tax amendment this was not his real reason. He expected to be absent from the city next Tuesday and did not want the vote recorded while he was away.

It seems that some of Mr. Bulkeley's constituents are very strongly opposed to the corporation provision and, sharing in their feeling, he desires to make as strong a fight as possible against it. He, therefore, desires to be on hand up to the last moment, and in view of the fact that he will be in Connecticut with the President next Tuesday, he found it quite impossible to give his attention to the amendment on that day. He did not, therefore, change his mind, but when the Senate adjourned many of the Connecticut men's colleagues were hopeful that he might be found more yielding to-morrow.

Discussion Exhausted.

It was evident when Senator Flint made his proposition that the discussion of the income tax question had been almost if not quite exhausted. There were several speeches for and against the measure to-day. Mr. Borah, leading off in favor of the income tax, and Mr. Root following on the other side, advocating the corporation tax, but opposing the income tax. Other speakers of the day were Senator Clapp and Senator Owen, favoring an income tax, with incidental remarks by Senator Flint and others.

It was evident throughout the entire day that the corporation tax question had failed to arouse as much interest in the Senate as had been expected, and some suggestions were heard in support of a proposition looking to the postponement of the entire matter until

the next session. However, the fact that the President is so strongly urging the tax on corporations stood in the way of acceptance of any suggestion of this kind, and it was not seriously urged.

The Senate at 4:30 P. M. adjourned.

CUBA PAYING DEBT

Spanish Lumber Gets \$300,000 for Cannon Left in Fortresses.

MADRID, July 1.—It is announced officially here to-day that Cuba has paid over to the Spanish minister at Havana, Senor de Ayala, the first of the three annual installments of \$300,000 for Spanish cannon left in the fortresses of Cuba and claimed by Spain under the terms of the peace protocol.

Oliver Gets His Money.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—The Cuban governments has met her obligations to William J. Oliver of Knoxville, Tenn., to June 1 for work under what is generally known as the Oliver road-building contract.

The Cubans have been backward in making monthly settlements for this work since the retirement of Provisional Governor Magoon. About \$120,000 in indebtedness had accrued, and Mr. Oliver is said to have personally protested to President Taft with a view to formally calling the attention of the Cuban government to the matter. One of the suggestions involved was made by Governor Magoon during American intervention.

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